REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

Claims 3, 5, 11, 15-18 and 20-39 are active in the present application. Claims 3, 5, 11, 15 and 39 are amended and claims 1, 2, 4, 6-10 and 19 are canceled by way of the present amendment. Claims 20-38 are withdrawn from consideration. The amended claims are supported, as a non-limiting example, by Figs. 9A-B and 11A-B. The characteristics of crystal growth and light intensity are illustrated in these figures. The crystallization apparatuses recited in the pending claims having the phase modulation units is not believed to be disclosed or suggested by <u>Taniguchi</u>.

It is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance and a favorable decision to that effect is respectfully submitted.

Respectfully submitted,

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